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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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COURT OF DIRECTORS.—P. MCNAUL, Esq., Deputy Chairman; Hon. W. D. SASCOM, C. E. BROWNE, Esq.; M. GROTH, Esq.; H. HOPPIN, Esq., Governor of Leeward Islands.

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MANAGERS: EWYN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS: London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.—INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

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Hongkong, August 25, 1884. 1423

Prospectus.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

(Incorporated under the Companies Act 1862 to 1883; whereby the liability of the Shareholders is limited to the amount of their Shares.)

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

First Issue of 100,000 Shares of £10 each, Of which 60,000 are Reserved for Issue in India, China, Japan and the Colonies.

PAYABLE £1 on Allotment, and the Balance of £8 at such times and in such sums not exceeding £2, as the Directors may determine, and at intervals not less than one month.

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Directors: CHRISTIAN ALLHUSEN, Esq., D. L. W. F. Director of the International Bank of Hongkong, and Co. Ltd. LIONEL R. C. BOYLE, Esq., Of Messrs. Boyle, Carr, and Banks & Co., 80, Lombard Street, E.C.

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Mr. DANIEL HOLLAND, Mincing Lane, London.

Temporary Secretary: R. T. ROHDE, Esq., 40, Threadneedle Street, E.C.

Forms of Application for SHARES may be obtained from the OFFICES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Hongkong.

All Payments on Application for SHARES are to be made to the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, who will grant receipt for the same.

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RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 of one time will not be received. No depositary deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year.

4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the depositor's own account.

5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten-cent stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.

6.—Depositors in the Savings Bank may withdraw \$10, or more at their option, by affixing the form to the savings book, and sending it to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for fixed deposit for 10 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

7.—Depositors may withdraw, at their option, the amounts of the deposits, or the principal sum, or the products of the same, at any time.

8.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

9.—For the

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The above GOODS will be on view, on TUESDAY NEXT, and following days at

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The Representatives of the H. Y. & Ga. Co., who are at present in Hongkong will be happy to give

estimates and designs for Furnishing throughout, or any information desired.

Hongkong, August 27, 1884.

Intimations.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

In Accordance with the Provisions of the Imperial Stamp Act, all TRANSFERS of SHARES in this Company (except in cases where the Transferee and Transferee are Residents in this Colony) must be completed at the HEAD OFFICE in London.

Such Transfers are subject to the Stamp duty of One Shilling for each One hundred Pounds or part of One hundred Pounds, on the consideration money, and there will be incurred also a fee of 2/6d. for each Certificate.

The Company have availed themselves of the Companies (Colonial) Register Act 1883, and a Local Register has now been opened at this OFFICE for SHARES held by residents in this Colony.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 19, 1884. 1305

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

ALL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited.

HOLDERS of NOTES will be required to furnish to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of issue, Number and Amount of each Note produced.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

PACIFIC COAST, Tientsin, August 13.

Opposite Amoy, 14. Tientsin, 15. Taku, 16. Tientsin, 17. Amoy, 18.

The next two direct steamers, with the eighth Governmental sale's opium and Indian mala left Calcutta on Aug. 20th, for this port.

The S. S. *Sydney* left Singapore for this port on the 16th August.

The S. S. *Sceptre* left Singapore for this port on the 18th August.

The U. S. gunboat *Faith* arrived to-day from Canton.

The band of the "Bulls" will perform in the Botanical Gardens this evening, commanding a price whether permitting.

Intelligence is said to have been received at Shanghai that the Chinese Admiral was killed at Foochow during the fighting.

We learn that Captain Hunter is taking the British forces ashore to Whampoa, Captain Hyde having to remain behind on account of ill health.

Troops are about 2,000 Chinese braves or soldiers stationed at Kowloon City, the authorities of which are very fearful that the French will come and seize the place. What a prize the French would get!

We regret to have to announce the death of another well-known resident of Hongkong, Mr Thomas Kirkwood, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, died at his residence at Blue Building this afternoon after a short but painful illness.

The *Chung-kuo* states that a continuation of the Great Wall along the coast from its present termination at Shan-hai-kwan to the Taku fort has been undertaken. The distance is over 600 li or 200 miles. Part of the fortification on the Taku end has been already dug, and looks like a great road over 10 Chinese feet wide. The object is to prevent the landing of an enemy anywhere North of Taku!

In confirmation of our statement a day or two ago that the Chinese local authorities had expressed a desire, as being in favour of the construction of a railway between Kowloon and Canton, we may mention that Mr W. Danby, C.E., has been engaged by the Chinese Authorities to make a survey of the country between Kowloon and Canton, with the view of ascertaining the best route, and to prepare estimates. This information will be required with a deduction by the community at large.

The Shanghai Mercury states:—A telegram dated Aug. 19th August says:—Twenty-five thousand troops go to Tschinking in August.

We may there be some mistake about this telegram; if it is dated August it would hardly state the troops would proceed in August and nothing like the last word here about the despatch of such a force.

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Mr William H. Vanderbilt's treasure vault, in which it is said he recently stowed away some \$100,000,000 in securities, is one of the most remarkable works of defence on the American continent, though you may not be entirely certain of this by surveying his numerous vaults outside. The foundations were blasted out of the rock, the front wall is five feet in thickness, and made of iron walls three feet, the materials used being pressed brick with brown stone trimmings. The beams, girders, and main pillars are iron, incased in fire-proof material. The doors, window frames, and minor partitions are iron, marble, and glass. No wood is to be found in the structure.

The Chinese press has been following the short-sighted and reckless policy of telling only good news instead of facts. The *Chung-kuo* is no exception to the rule. But having yesterday given an account of the disaster at Foochow, it seems to be overcome with a sense of self-righteousness and gives the following parallel to-day:—An exceptionally honest scholar in Canton took to fortune-telling. He was from another province. When the indications were unfavourable he said so. His customers called him a fool, refused to pay the fee, and went to those who prophesied smooth things. By and bye, however, when events turned out as the one honest man predicted, the popular tide turned in his favour, and against the false prophets. Following the above is a statement that over 1000 French have been slain in Tonkin; arms and ammunition number have been seized, and the Chinese army has had a glorious victory.

With reference to the appointment of the new King of Annam, the *Salonique* publishes the following despatch from the French President-General at Hue to the Governor of Cochin-China: